

Annabella Special Selection 2008 Cabernet Sauvignon

100% Napa Valley 100% Cabernet Sauvignon Aged in French Oak for 14 months

This Cabernet Sauvignon is dark inky plum colored with boysenberry stained edges. This elegant Napa Valley Cabernet expresses concentrated cassis and black cherry aromas with a refined toasted French Oak balance. The palate is supple and inviting with a ripe cherry vanilla coulis-like flavor profile and texture, and then slides into a soft and sappy core of plum, brown sugar, and sweet vanilla with interesting pipe tobacco notes and a hint of cedar spice. Present, but more in the background, are age worthy tannins of toasted oak and subtle vanilla flavors from French Oak barrel aging which is well integrated with the fruit tannins, typically mouth drying, but in this example, silky and smooth. This wine drinks well now, but will age well for 12–15 years.

Try this wine with braised veal shanks or classic Osso Buco served with risotto Milanese. It does well with winter stews or hearty soups. I often mention that a rich Cabernet such as this will compliment anything Chocolate; it's high time you tried it. Drink now through 2014. Total cases produced: 10,000